

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re DIVISIONAL Application of)
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al.)
Based On Serial No. 08/910,352) Art Unit: 1773
Which Was Filed: August 13, 1997) Examiner: L. Kiliman
For: APPARATUS FOR FABRICATING)
COATING AND METHOD OF)
FABRICATING THE COATING) Date: September 15, 1999

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Before the first sentence of the specification, insert -- This application is a Division of Application Serial No. 08/910,352 filed August 13, 1997; which itself is a Division of Application Serial No. 08/841,639 filed April 30, 1997; which is a Continuation of Application Serial No. 08/276,327 filed July 18,